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ALWAYS FOR LIBERTY. AND THE PUBLICK GOOD.

High HEAVEN *to* GRACIOUS ENDS *directs the* STORM!

QUERIES *on the ſubject of* RELIGIOUS ESTABLISHMENTS.

IS not the power conferred by the people on their governours limited? Can its limitations be better underſtood than by conſidering the ends for which it was inſtituted? Is not the moſt proper method to know the ends for which it was inſtituted to inquire into the evils and inconveniencies that attend the want of it? And is it not evident, on an impartial ſurvey, that, in a ſtate of nature, any man, or collection of men, might embrace what doctrines of faith, and worſhip the deity in what form they pleaſed, without interfering with the ſame, or any other natural right of their neighbours?

Do not the conſtitution of the human mind, whoſe real aſſent or diſſent neceſſarily follows its conviction, and the obligations of conſcience, which forbid all equivocation and hypocriſy, render it both unlawful and abſurd for any ſociety to inveſt the magiſtrate with authority to preſcribe articles of faith, or regulate their religious conduct?

BUT waving the impoſſibility of exerciſing dominion over the underſtanding or conſcience, and the unlawfulneſs of attempting it, does experience ſhow that the rulers of the earth have in general been marked out by their piety and infallibility, as religious guardians to the reſt of mankind? And can it be ſuppoſed that any man, whoſe entrance into civil ſociety was a rational act, ever meant to aſſign to the magiſtrate his rights of conſcience, which all good men hold the moſt ſacred, and which, of all other rights, the magiſtrate is leaſt qualified to be intruſted with?

DOES not the New Teſtament, in almoſt every page, aſſert the rights and ratify the obligations of conſcience, in direct repugnance to the unwarranted claims of the civil magiſtrate? May not the ſame reaſoning, that will juſtify the eſtabliſhment of the beſt and moſt orthodox religion, be applied, with equal force, to defend the eſtabliſhment of the worſt and moſt erroneous? Why is Chriſtianity eſtabliſhed in any country, but becauſe the magiſtrate believes it to be the true religion? And is the emperour of China, or the Great Mogul, leſs orthodox in his own opinion?

CAN the cauſe of Proteſtantiſm be maintained on any ground which will not ſupport the profeſſion of every religion that does not ſet up a claim to civil preeminence?

IF the deſign of civil government does not imply, if the nature of religion does not admit, if the general character of rulers can neither challenge nor countenance, and if the principles of Chriſtianity and Proteſtantiſm manifeſtly diſclaim, a ſurrender, on the part of the people, of the rights of conſcience, does not the magiſtrate ſtand diſarmed of every plea by which he could be authoriſed to dictate in matters of religion?

IT appearing, then, that when men form the ſocial compact each one reſerves to himſelf the right of chooſing and acting for himſelf in what relates to religion and conſcience, does it not follow that every individual is *equally* entitled to protection in the exerciſe of this as much as any other unreſigned right; to obtain which, they were induced to part with ſo great a portion of their natural liberty, and which they parted with in an *equal* meaſure?

CAN all men be ſaid to enjoy an equal portion of their rights, religious or temporal, where a law exiſts that compels every member of the community to contribute a ſhare of his ſubſtance for the maintenance of a church to which many cannot conform, and from which a part only derive a benefit? And does not the impoſition appear exceedingly flagrant and inhuman, when we reflect that it is ſubmitted to by many with a reluctant conſcience; whilſt, with reſpect to others of a certain claſs, it either robs them of the neceſſaries of life, or, by exhauſting the redundant pittance of a narrow income, diſables them from procuring that particular inſtruction and worſhip which their judgment approves, and which they deem of ineſtimable utility? And is there not ſomething peculiarly oppreſſive and diſhonourable in obliging the inhabitants on the weſtern ſide of the Blue Ridge to contribute indiſcriminately to the ſupport of a worſhip which not more than one of twenty approve or attend?

Is it conſiſtent with reaſon to ſay, that a partial and unjuſt inſtitution is neceſſary for the ſupport of a juſt and equal government? Is it conſiſtent with true religion to ſay, that its preſervation requires an eſtabliſhment founded in a violation of the common maxims of morality? Is it any evidence of eſteem for the author of Chriſtianity, who affirms that his kingdom is not of this world, to ſay that his ſcheme of religion would prove abortive if it was not incorporated with the kingdoms of this world? Does it argue a rational attachment to any church to deny that reaſon and its own intrinſick excellence are ſufficient to uphold it, when every ſecular prop is withdrawn; although other churches are ſeen to flouriſh without ſuch props, and although it is undeniable that the primitive church made its way in the world, and continued to extend itſelf, for more than 300 years, without the leaſt aſſiſtance from civil power?

BUT wherein is it pretended that this ſalutary influence of eccleſiaſtical eſtabliſhments on civil government conſiſts? Can they poſſibly afford the leaſt probability for an uniformity of opinion, unleſs they include the remorſeleſs tribunal of the inquiſition, from which torrents of blood muſt continually flow to extinguiſh the ſpirit of inquiry, and at which liberty herſelf would ſoon be offered a victim to ſavage bigotry and ſacerdotal domination? Or has the appropriation of certain publick revenues to a particular ſect any tendency to ſoften the religious animoſity reſulting from diverſity of opinions, unleſs all other ſects could, by ſome magick art, be made to believe that the religion of their rivals was ſo much ſuperiour to their own that it might deſervedly receive ſuch a mark of diſtinction?

DOES not the conſtitution of Virginia juſtly leave all power ultimately in the hands of the majority? Is there not reaſon to apprehend, from the daily multiplication of diſſenters, that the time may ſhortly come when they will have the direction of our publick affairs? If juſtice be not done them when they are weak, will they not obtain it when they become powerful? May they not do more? May not a ſenſe of injuries excite a ſpirit of retaliation?

AT a time when the ſalvation of our country confeſſedly depends on the aid and exertions of every party, does not policy loudly forbid an irritating refuſal to the reaſonable demands of thouſands of valuable citizens? Does not prudence dictate an extenſion of the rights of all thoſe who have been unjuſtly reſtrained, that they may be more intereſted in defending the preſent government, and may conceive greater horrour at a return to the former one, which muſt infallibly be accompanied with the loſs of ſo grateful an acquiſition?

WHEREIN conſiſts the utility of church eſtabliſhments, with reſpect to religion and morality? Are any religious doctrines of the leaſt avail, to the individual, or to the community, which are not ſincerely believed, and which have not an actual impreſſion on the heart? Can the magiſtrate enſure any thing farther than the external profeſſion of ſuch doctrines? If it be pretended, that the promoting of *morality* or the duties of imperfect obligation, as they are ſtyled, be the object of ſuch eſtabliſhments, do not the teachers of every religious denomination inculcate the ſame moral virtues? And can they juſtly be excluded, either directly or indirectly, from a participation of their emoluments?

DOES not experience demonſtrate, that in thoſe countries where religion is moſt carefully guarded, and its officers moſt highly rewarded by the laws, it has the leaſt rational and moral influence? What part of Chriſtendom can be parallelled with Italy for atheiſm, and profligacy of manners? Has any place rivalled it in zeal and proviſion for the temporal intereſts of the church?

CAN it be ſaid that eſtabliſhments are requiſite to ſecure a competent number of virtuous paſtors, whom the people would neglect to provide for themſelves, when it is unqueſtionable that in each of thoſe American ſtates where there is no civil eſtabliſhment of religion the number of publick teachers is much larger, in proportion to the number of inhabitants, than in either of thoſe ſtates where a miſtaken policy has transferred the care of religion from the people to the magiſtrate? And is there not a greater likelihood that the

paſtoral fidelity, and exemplary deportment, on which the uſefulneſs of ſuch teachers chiefly depends, would be found in men ſubject to the voluntary maintenance of the people, than in ſuch as, by their independence on the people, are exempted from all obligation to fulfil their engagements but the ſenſe of duty? How do men reaſon in other caſes? Would the lawyer be more indefatigable in purſuing the intereſt of his clients, would the phyſician give a more punctual and painful attendance on his patients, would the ſteward be more faithful to the truſt committed to his management, if the connexion between duty and intereſt, between merit and reward, were diminiſhed or diſſolved?

HAVE they imbibed the genuine ſpirit of the Goſpel who are ambitious of being MASTERS in the ſenſe forbidden by the meek and lowly JESUS, who are not contented with being on a level with their brethren of other denominations, and who diſtruſt the faithful promiſe of their ſaviour, that *he will be with them to the end of the world*, unleſs, by an eſtabliſhment of human invention, ſecurity be obtained from the civil magiſtrate for its accompliſhment? Or are they under the guidance of an honourable, humane ſentiment, who, for the ſupport of their religion, devour the widow and the fatherleſs, and oppreſs the poor, the needy, and the ſtranger, and who are not aſhamed to demand their hire from thoſe for whom they never laboured?

WHATEVER narrow zealots may alledge to the contrary, does not a mixture of a variety of religious ſects in the ſame civil ſociety the moſt effectually promote freedom of inquiry, and liberal ſentiments? Can any device more completely anſwer the purpoſes of a *cenſor morum* (an inſpector and reformer of manners) or form a more certain barrier againſt the encroachments of lawleſs power, foreign or domeſtick?

PORTSMOUTH, *October* 5.

YESTERDAY arrived here the brigantige Marquis of Kildare, capt. Thomas Falmer, in ſeven weeks from Bourdeaux, with a cargo of military ſtores, &c. He informs us the French treated him with the utmoſt kindneſs, and ſeemed ready to do every thing in their power to ſerve him; that the cuſtomhouſe officers permitted the American veſſels to paſs without examination, while the Engliſh were all ſearched.

Oct. 12. Laſt Wedneſday arrived at Falmouth a prize ſhip of between 3 and 400 tuns, from Portſmouth in England to Quebeck, laden with powder, nails, beef, butter, &c. had 16 carriage guns, 8 of which were mounted. She was taken by a privateer from Newbury, by ſtratagem.

PHILADELPHIA, *October* 19.

BY means of a perſon who has lately made his eſcape out of New York, we learn that general Howe makes every one of the inhabitants ſwear to ſubmit and be obedient to the laws of the Britiſh parliament *in all caſes whatſoever*.

Monday laſt arrived here the ſchooner Sally from Bermuda, with ſalt, &c. by whom we learn that the Galatea, a 20 gun ſhip, and the Dreadnought of 18 guns, were at Bermuda, where they had carried in ſeveral prizes; and that the Galatea was to ſail in a ſhort time, to cruiſe off the capes of Virginia.

Extract of a letter from Fort Lee (*late Fort* Conſtitution, *but now altered by general orders*) *dated October* 20, 1776.

"Yeſterday's affair was honourable to us. Three regiments, Glover's, Reed's, and Shepherd's, of Maſſachuſetts, under col. Glover, who commanded the brigade, were advanced under cover to receive the enemy marching out towards the country. Col. Shepherd was well covered under a wall, and at 30 or 40 yards gave the grenadiers and infantry an unexpected heavy fire, then a ſecond and third, which broke the enemy ſo much that they ran away as faſt as they could in confuſion. They returned with field pieces and out-flanked our party, which occaſioned our people to retreat to a ſhort diſtance, where they rallied well, and kept their ground againſt their cannonade and numbers. Our men behaved with remarkable ſpirit and coolneſs, and I think are in a good way to do great things. We loſt a few, 30 or 40 killed and wounded. Two deſerters from the enemy ſay they loſt 1000, but really I have the beſt opinion to believe they loſt 150 or upwards, as our men fired with great coolneſs, at a good diſtance. They are trying to ſurround us; but it will not be eaſy, and I am miſtaken if they do not meet ſome ſevere rubbers."

October 29. Sunday morning, about 1 o'clock, a fire was diſcovered on board the prize ſhip lying in this harbour (lately taken by the continental ſchooner Waſp) which entirely conſumed the ſame, together with her valuable cargo of ſugar, rum, &c.

The Hon. the Congreſs have appointed col. Maxwell of New Jerſey, and col. Smallwood of Maryland, to the rank of brigadiers-general in the army of the United States.

We hear that the counties of Philadelphia, Cheſter, York, Lancaſter, and Northampton, are univerſally diſſatisfied with the frame of government formed by the late Convention of this ſtate.

Extract of a letter from Fort Lee, *Oct.* 22.

"A deſerter from head quarters informs, that the loſs of the enemy, on Friday laſt, muſt have been 7 or 800; that in the cannonade after the battle general Howe had his leg very dangerouſly ſhattered by a ball, which killed a ſoldier who ſtood near him.---Laſt night a party of rangers, under the command of major Rogers, having advanced towards Mareneck, were attacked and defeated by a party of our forces; 36 were taken priſoners, and the number of ſlain is ſuppoſed to be greater, ſince 60 arms and as many blankets were found upon the field. As the corps is compoſed of Tories, this victory is the more glorious. Our army is in high ſpirits, having out-flanked the enemy."

BALTIMORE, *October* 29.

Extract of a letter from a general officer, dated Mount Waſhington, *October* 23, 1776.

TWO deſerters came over to us from the York Iſland lines the evening before laſt, who ſay the enemy's loſs on Friday was more than 800 killed and wounded. They ſaw many of the wounded, who all agree in their accounts of a heavy loſs on their ſide. A ſtrong party of Heſſians were ambuſhed by two of our regiments, Read's and Shepherd's, and drove to their main body, which advanced, and obliged our men to retire about 600 yards. This finiſhed the action, the enemy contenting themſelves with the ground they had gained. We had only 1500 men engaged, and not more than 2000 near the field; the enemy had at leaſt 8000. The enemy puſhed that night three miles along the coaſt to New Rochelle, where their advanced party remained yeſterday.

"After the action, our artillery, and that of the enemy, were employed in annoying each other. During the fire of the artillery, the deſerters ſay, a ſentry at general Howe's tent was killed at the door; the ball entered the tent, and ſhattered general Howe's leg, ſo as to endanger his life. One of the deſerters declares he heard his captain mention it to ſeveral officers; they belong to the 40th regiment.

"Major Rogers advanced the evening before laſt, with his corps of Tories, to Mamoraneck. A party was detached againſt him; they killed many, took 50 priſoners, 60 fine muſkets, and as many blankets, and completely routed the reſt of the party. This blow will ruin the major's rangers. The enemy have received a reinforcement of Heſſians, and ſome Britiſh troops. Their ſtation, laſt night, was at New Rochelle. We now out-flank them, ſo that the leaſt movement of their's from the ſhore muſt produce an action.

"Our troops are in high ſpirits, and very anxious to engage the enemy. We cannot anſwer for the fate of war, but I think America has little to fear from general Howe's army, who have gained no ground but what they could reach by their ſhipping.

"The enemy have left only 1600 men on York iſland. They have detached two brigades to oppoſe col. Livingſton, who is gone with 1200 men to the eaſt end of Long Iſland. He embarked at Fairfield laſt week, and it is ſaid has carried off many cattle from the enemy's party on that iſland."

Extract of a letter from Philadelphia, *to a gentleman in this town, October* 26.

"You have heard, I ſuppoſe, of three New England regiments, of about 1500 men, beating 2000 of the king's troops laſt Friday; and by accounts yeſterday, they loſt 500 men killed and wounded. We have alſo accounts, by deſerters, of general Howe's being wounded in the leg, as he was ſitting in his tent. Laſt Monday Rogers commanded a party of rangers, collected off Long iſland and Staten iſland (Tories) and attempted to rob or deſtroy one of our ſtores or magazines at New Rochelle, or its neighbourhood, when a parcel of our people beat him off, killed 25 of them, took 36 priſoners, and about 60 muſkets, and as many blankets. General Lee has out-generalled Howe and his army, that is, out-flanked them; he has got to the White Plains, and has hemmed them in on the low grounds of the Eaſt river.

"Col. Livingſton has gone over to the eaſt end of Long Iſland, from New England, with about 1200 men, to take off the ſtock, in which he has had great ſucceſs; but I hear two brigades are gone after him.---Many more prizes arrived in New England."

WILLIAMSBURG, *November* 8.

A COUPLE of veſſels are gone up the bay with 900 barrels of gunpowder each, beſides ſalt, and dry goods.

Deaths] The amiable mrs. LEWIS, ſpouſe of Warner Lewis, jun. eſq; of Glouceſter.

Mr. WILLIAM AITCHESON, late of Norfolk, merchant; who always bore the character of an hoſpitable, benevolent, and worthy man.

Capt. JOHN PHRIPP, late of Norfolk likewiſe, in the 93d year of his age.

HENRY DAWSON, from Prince William, in the publick hoſpital for lunaticks.

☞ *The printer having peruſed the advertiſement lately ſent to him by mr.* Edward Hansford *for publication, and finding it contains reflexions upon a gentleman whoſe character has hitherto remained unſullied, deſires to be excuſed from publiſhing it in his Gazette; and therefore is ready to deliver it up, with the* 15*s. which accompanied it, to mr.* Hansford's *order.*

ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE *officers of the* 2*d regiment who are now recruiting will pleaſe to inform me immediately of their ſucceſs, and ſo ſoon as their companies are completed to repair without loſs of time to* Williamſburg.---*** *Letters directed to me near* Fredericksburg.

ALEX: SPOTSWOOD,
(2) *Lieutenant colonel of* 2*d regiment.*

By virtue of a decree of the Hon. COURT of ADMIRALTY of this ſtate, will be ſold at publick vendue, for ready money, on *Monday* the 25th inſtant, at *Jameſtown*, on *James* river, about 7 miles from the city of *Williamsburg*,

THE *brigantine SARAH of* Great Britain, *lately made a prize of by the* Montgomery *privateer*, *captain* Polk, *of* Annapolis, *in the ſtate of* Maryland, *with her ſails, rigging, and materials, being* 170 *tuns burthen*, Britiſh *built. An inventory of her ſails, rigging, and materials, may be ſeen on board the ſaid ſhip.—At ſame time and place will be ſold her cargo, conſiſting of a large quantity of exceeding good* Jamaica *RUM*, Muſcovado *SUGARS*, *COFFEE*, *GINGER*, *COTTON*, *and ſundry other articles, ſhipped on board the ſaid ſhip from* Jamaica *for the* London *market*.

BEN: POWELL, marſhal.

WILLIAMSBURG, *Nov.* 1, 1776.

For SALE,

A TRACT *of exceeding fine land in* Orange *county, about five miles from the courthouſe, containing* 500 *acres. Any perſon inclinable to purchaſe may know the terms by applying to the ſubſcriber in* Caroline *county, near the* Bowling Green.

2‖ *MUNGO ROY.*

For SALE,

A VERY *valuable tract of land on* Chickahominy *river*, Charles City *county, containing upwards of* 800 *acres, upon which are my ferry and ordinary, and all neceſſary buildings on the plantation. There is a large quantity of marſh adjoining the high land, capable of maintaining much ſtock, and the place is convenient to fiſhing and fowling. There is a fine apple orchard on the plantation, and the land abounds with fine pine timber. Any perſon inclinable to purchaſe may know the terms by applying to me, on the premiſes.*

‖ *THOMAS COWLES.*

ALL perſons are hereby forewarned from hunting, fiſhing, or fowling, on the lands of the ſubſcribers in *Charles City*, without leave firſt obtained

DAVID MINGE.
WILLIAM RICKMAN.

A PERSON qualified to teach ENGLISH, WRITING, and ARITHMATICK, may hear of good encouragement by applying to the ſubſcriber in *Dumfries*.

1‖ AUGUSTINE SEATON.

To be SOLD or RENTED, on Wedneſday *the* 13*th of this inſtant* (November) *and may be entered upon at* Chriſtmas.

MY plantation in *Brunſwick* county, on the *Three Creeks*, containing 348 acres, whereon is a good dwelling-houſe, kitchen, quarter, and three barns, with a very good apple and peach orchard; the land well watered and timbered, and the ſoil good for corn, wheat, and tobacco. Alſo a tract within about 3 miles of the above, containing 196 acres, chiefly woodland. The payments will be made eaſy to the purchaſer, on paying a ſmall part down.----On the ſame day will be ſold, for ſix months credit, ſome cattle, hogs, *&c.* with a parcel of corn and wheat; the purchaſers to give bond and ſecurity, which, if not punctually paid when they become due, are to bear intereſt from the date.---*** I intend to leave the country ſoon.

1‖ JOSEPH CARTER.

To be SOLD or RENTED,

THE plantation well known by the name of the *Smoky Ordinary*, in *Brunſwick* county, whereon is a new and good dwelling-houſe, with ſtore, lumber, and all other convenient houſes for a merchant or tavern keeper. The place is ſo well known that a farther deſcription is unneceſſary. Thoſe perſons who are inclined to rent, or purchaſe, may know the terms by applying to (2) HENRY SIMMONS.

GLOUCESTER, *Nov.* 1, 1776.

WHEREAS capt. *Charles Tomkies* has advertiſed *William Dickerſon* in this Gazette as a deſerter, and ſuppoſes him to be perſuaded ſo to do by ſome Tory, I beg leave to relate the truth of that matter. The ſaid *William Dickerſon*, who is my ſon, was enliſted by capt. *Tomkies* when under age, and without my conſent; and in ſome ſhort time after I applied to capt. *Tomkies*, and put him in mind, that as I had not given my conſent I would endeavour to get my ſon home again. However, as there was ſoon a call for every man in the county capable of bearing arms, to oppoſe lord *Dunmore*'s invaſion of *Gwyn*'s iſland, I made no farther application for him, till neceſſity compelled me, by the illneſs of my wife. He accordingly came to ſee his mother; and as I had never conſented to his enliſting, and the family was in great need of his preſence, I thought I had a right to keep him. But I am not a Tory, and as warm a friend to my country as any man in it; and if ever there ſhould be a call, no one will be more ready than

2‖ DAVID DICKERSON.

N. B. I can prove that my ſon *William Dickerſon* will be but 16 years of age the 5th day of next month.

LOST *from* Rappahannock *forge, in* King George *county* (*ſuppoſed to be ſtolen*) *a ſpotted gray horſe about* 13 *hands high, with buſhy mane and ſwitch tail, ſhort docked, has a gooſe rump, walks very briſk, carries his head low, trots and paces, is very free to gallop, ſhod all round, had on a pair of iron ſpancels, and branded on the near buttock I. Whoever conveys the ſaid horſe to the ſubſcribers ſhall have* 30 *s. reward, and all reaſonable charges.*

(4) *SULLIVAN & WILKINSON.*

ALEXANDRIA, *Nov.* 1, 1776.

WHEREAS *Charles Turner* (a native of *Scotland*, near *Tweed*) clock and watch cleaner, who lived in this town upwards of 16 years, died laſt *January* inteſtate, if he has any heirs, or legal repreſentatives, they may hear of ſomething to their advantage by applying to

ROBERT MUIR, adm.

*** The deceaſed left two or three watches, which are preſumed to be the property of ſome perſons. The owners are deſired to apply for them.

For SALE,

THE noted place called *Farley's Ordinary*, in *Amelia*, containing about 270 acres of land, whereon are all ſuitable houſes for cropping and publick-houſe keeping, a paſture under good fence, and as much cleared ground as will ſerve to work 6 or 7 hands, 60,000 corn hills whereof are ſowed in wheat. For terms apply to *Mary Farley*, *John James Farley*, or to *William Croſs Craddock*. 2‖

COMMITTED to *Brunſwick* jail, on the 5th of *September* laſt, two outlandiſh negro fellows, who cannot or will not tell their maſters names. One is about 5 feet 6 inches high, and about 40 years old; the other about 5 feet 5 inches high, and about 35 years old. They had on, when committed, two oſnabrug wrappers a piece. The owners are deſired to take them away, and pay charges to

LEWIS LANIER, jun.

TAKEN up in *Loudoun*, near *Sugarland* run, three heifers, *viz.* One a brindle, another a pied with red ſides, and white back and tail; both marked with a crop in each ear, and a ſlit in the left. The other a black, with ſome white about her leg and the upper part of her face, and marked with a crop and ſlit in the left ear only; ſhe has a calf. Poſted, and appraiſed to 51.---There was another red heifer came with the above, which is ſince dead. ‖ *James Coleman.*

NOTICE is hereby given to the landholders of the borough of *Norfolk*, that application will be made to this General Aſſembly to paſs a law to empower commiſſioners to lay out the ſaid borough on a regular and convenient plan, and ſettle in what manner compenſation ſhall be made to ſuch perſons as ſhall become ſufferers thereby. It is expected that ſuch as concur in the meaſure will ſign a petition, or otherwiſe ſignify their concurrence to *William Roſcow Wilſon Curle*, eſq; delegate for the ſaid borough; and thoſe who are againſt it will uſe ſuch means to prevent the paſſing ſuch act as they ſhall think proper. (2)

RICHMOND county, *Nov.* 1 1776.

THE ſubſcriber requeſts the creditors of the rev. *William Mackay*, deceaſed, to acquaint him with the nature and amount of their ſeveral claims, which will enable him to make up a proper ſtate of the accounts.

1‖ WILLIAM MISKELL, truſtee to the adminiſtratrix.

ALL marines out upon furlough, belonging to my quota, are deſired immediately to repair on board the brig *Muskito*, capt. *Harris*.----Deſerted, *Jeſſe Harden*, *Joſeph Hairlow*, and *Thomas Meriman*, for apprehending each of whom I will give 3 l. reward.

2‖ JACOB VALENTINE.

AN ACADEMY,

TO be diſtinguiſhed by the name of LIBERTY HALL, is now eſtabliſhed, for the liberal education of youth, on *Timber Ridge*, in *Auguſta* county, where all the moſt important branches of literature, neceſſary to prepare young gentlemen for the ſtudy of law, phyſick, and theology, may be taught to good advantage, upon the moſt approved plan. The education and morals of youth being the great objects in view, thoſe peculiarities which form the complexion of any party ſhall have no place in the ſcheme. The rector, with a ſufficient number of aſſiſtants, are to govern and conduct the youth in their ſtudies; and 24 truſtees, in conjunction with nine viſiters, are to conduct all the other affairs of the academy. The truſtees have already been enabled, by ſubſcriptions taken in the adjacent counties, to erect ſeveral convenient houſes; and a conſiderable library of well choſen books, and the moſt eſſential parts of a mathematical and philoſophical apparatus, are alſo provided. It is expected that the buildings will be ready for the reception of the ſtudents the 25th day of next month. Tuition is to be at the rate of 4 l. and boarding at 6 l. 10 s. *per annum;* one third of the boardage money to be paid on the day of entrance, yearly. The ſtudents are to provide their own beds, waſhing, and candles; firewood will be gratis. As the terms are low, the part of the country exceeding pleaſant, healthy, and plentiful, and our preſent form of government makes education peculiarly neceſſary, it is hoped that no encouragement will be wanting to enable the patrons of this inſtitution to carry it on, and make it extenſively uſeful. As the tuition money is the principal dependence the tutors will have for their ſupport, and the truſtees depend entirely upon the liberal contributions of the friends of learning for enlarging the buildings and raiſing ſufficient funds, the publick have the beſt ſecurity for their fidelity and diligence; and they flatter themſelves that thoſe who favour them with donations, or the care of their children, will never find cauſe to call in queſtion their catholick principles in conducting this academy.

WILLIAM GRAHAM, rector.

OCTOBER 21, 1776.

To be RENTED,

A PLANTATION in the lower end of *Charles City*, on *James* river, between *Sandy Point* and the warehouſe, whereon are a good dwelling-houſe, with four rooms below and two above ſtairs, with fire places in each, a good kitchen, and other out-houſes, with an extraordinary good apple orchard. The terms may be known of the Printer, or the ſubſcriber, near the premiſes.

MARY EMERY.

A SOBER, careful, induſtrious man, well acquainted with the buſineſs of a COUNTY COURT CLERK, will hear of encouragement by applying to the Printer of this paper. ‖

DEEP SPRING camp, *Sept.* 17, 1776.

DESERTED laſt night from my company of riflemen, the following ſoldiers, *viz.* JOSIAH JONES, about 22 years old, 6 feet 2 inches high, well made, has ſhort black hair, a very lively countenance, and when intoxicated very talkative, and deſirous of raiſing diſputes; he carried away with him a hunting ſhirt trimmed with red, a pair of leather breeches, ſeveral new ſhirts, and other things which I cannot recollect at preſent. DAVID BARNETT, aged 21 years, 6 feet 4 inches high, well made, has ſhort black hair, a thin viſage, occaſioned by the ague and fever, which he had when he deſerted, is very ſerious, and ſpeaks but ſeldom; he carried with him a hunting ſhirt trimmed with red, a pair of leather breeches, a pair of new ſhoes, and ſeveral yards of linen, which I had delivered to him about two days before he deſerted. JOSEPH CANTERBURY, aged 28 years, 5 feet 10 inches high, well made, has ſhort red hair, a reddiſh complexion, and a dejected look; he carried along with him a hunting ſhirt trimmed with red, a gray coloured broadcloth waiſtcoat and breeches, a pair of black ſtockings, two pair of ſhoes, and ſeveral yards of linen, which I delivered to him a few days before he deſerted. They went off indebted to the publick ſtore, and were raiſed and enliſted in *Amherſt*, where I expect they will endeavour to get. Whoever will deliver the ſaid deſerters to the commanding officer in *Williamſburg*, or ſafely contrive them to the 6th *Virginia* regiment at *New York*, ſhall have 4l. 10s. for each, and all reaſonable expenſes paid.

SAMUEL JORDAN CABELL, captain in the 6th *Virginia* regiment.

TAKEN up in *Orange*, a red cow with a middle ſized bell on, and marked in each ear with a crop and ſlit. Poſted, and appraiſed to 55s. ‖ *Samuel Brockman.*

TAKEN up in *Surry*, a large red ſteer, marked with a ſwallow fork in the right ear, and an underkeel in the left, and when feeding his right horn droops much more to the ground than the left. Poſted, and appraiſed to 2l. 15s.

Thomas Bland.

TAKEN up in *Brunſwick*, a red cow, without any white about her, about 4 years old, not marked, and has a calf with her. Alſo a red ſteer about 4 years old, with a white face, a ſpot under his right eye, and marked with a crop in the right ear. Poſted and appraiſed, the cow and calf to 40s. and the ſteer to 40s.

John Ingram.

TAKEN up in *Brunſwick*, a dark bay horſe colt 2 years old laſt ſpring, 4 feet 7 inches and 3 quarters high, with a few white hairs in his forehead, has a wart at the root of his right ear, his right hind foot white, with ſome dark ſpots round the hoof, and the hind part of his right fore foot white. Poſted, and appraiſed to 15l. ‖ *Colin Campbell.*

THE ſubſcriber had taken, by way of miſtake, from capt. *Anderſon's* tavern in *Williamſburg*, ſome time laſt *Auguſt*, a DRAB GREAT COAT with the lower button off. Whoever has it in poſſeſſion is requeſted to return it immediately.

JAMES WALLACE.

To be SOLD to the higheſt bidder, on the premiſes, purſuant to order of Caroline *court, and agreeable to the will of mr.* John Watts, *deceaſed, late of ſaid county, on* Thurſday *the 28th inſtant* (November)

SEVERAL tracts or parcels of exceeding good LAND nearly adjoining, containing about 380 acres, lying on *Mattapony* river, within 3 miles of *Caroline* courthouſe, whereon is a neat little dwelling-houſe with convenient out-houſes, and the plantation in good order for cropping. Mr. *Thomas Laughlin*, who lives on the land, will ſhow it to any perſon inclining to purchaſe, therefore a farther deſcription is unneceſſary. The purchaſer will have 12 months credit, upon giving bond and ſecurity to

‖ JOHN BUCKNER, ſheriff.

N. B. All perſons indebted to the ſaid *John Watts*, deceaſed, for goods bought of mr. *Richard Watts*, or otherwiſe, are deſired to take notice, that the monies are to be paid to JOHN BUCKNER.

RUN *away laſt* June *from mr.* Peter Le Poole, *in* Charleſtown, South Carolina, *a negro fellow named ELIJAH,* Virginia *born, of a yellow complexion, 5 feet* 10 *or* 11 *inches high, between* 22 *and* 23 *years of age, is a blackſmith by trade, and an excellent workman; had on when he went away a ſcarlet camlet waiſtcoat, buckſkin breeches almoſt new, an oſnabrug ſhirt, and a leather jockey cap. It is ſuppoſed, as he is an artful ſenſible fellow, that he will endeavour to paſs for a freeman; therefore all perſons are cautioned from harbouring him on any pretence whatſoever, under penalty of the ſevereſt proſecution. Whoever apprehends the ſaid runaway, and delivers him to the ſubſcriber, in* Hanover *county,* Virginia, *ſhall have 5l. reward.*

‖ *RICHARD BURNLEY.*

RUN *away from the ſubſcriber in* Hanover, *near* Allen's Creek *church, a ſhort ſtout built mulatto fellow named JOHN, who had and took with him, when he went away, a pair of black calimanco breeches, a black* Virginia *cloth jacket, a cotton ſhirt, a pair of linen breeches, a ſcarlet jacket bound with gold twiſt, a holland ſhirt ruffled at the boſom, thread ſtockings, a* Virginia *cloth coat lined with ſacking, and a pair of pumps with plated buckles in them. Whoever apprehends the ſaid fellow, and delivers him to me, ſhall have* TEN DOLLARS *reward.* *JOHN DAILEY.*

STRAYED or STOLEN from *York* town, the 22d of *October*, a bay horſe 9 years old, 4 feet 7 inches high, with a ſtar in his forehead, hanging mane and ſwitch tail, a white ſpot on the inſide of his left fore leg, ſome ſaddle ſpots, trots, paces, and gallops well. Whoever delivers the ſaid horſe to me, in *York* town, ſhall have TWO DOLLARS reward.

2‖ TARPLEY WHITE.

STOLEN out of my paſture in *Brunſwick*, the night between the 16th and 17th of *October*, a ſtallion about 14 hands high, 12 or 13 years old, a fine deep bay, without any white about him, except perhaps a ſaddle ſpot or two, hanging mane and ſwitch tail; his mane pretty thick, and hanging on each ſide his neck, trots and gallops well, but will, when preſſed to it, pace a little, and is branded on the off buttock W. I will give 50s. to any perſon who will bring me the horſe, and 5l. upon conviction of the thief.

(2‖) CHARLES LUCAS.

HENRICO, *October* 27, 1776.

I WANT a good BLACKSMITH, COLLIER, and WEAVER, whom I will either buy or employ at a generous price. SAMUEL DU VAL.

ALEXANDRIA, *October* 22, 1776.

THE ſubſcriber has for ſale, either by the hogſhead or quarter caſk, 20 hhds. of OLD JAMAICA SPIRITS, that have been in the country near four years. ‖ HUGH STEUART.

To be SOLD on the premiſes, to the higheſt bidder, the 12*th of* December *next, agreeable to the will of* George Wright, *deceaſed.*

HIS land and plantation in *Cumberland* county, containing 500 acres, whereon are all convenient buildings for ordinary and ſtore-keeping, with large apple and peach orchards, containing great variety of all kinds of fruit. The purchaſer will have 12 months credit, upon giving bond with ſecurity to

‖ The EXECUTORS.

IF the executors of Dr. *Nicholas Flood's* eſtate, who ſome time ago advertiſed for a ſteward, or manager, are yet unprovided, they may hear of a perſon with a ſmall family who is properly qualified for that buſineſs, and can come properly recommended; his wife is alſo well acquainted with the management of a dairy, &c. By giving notice in this Gazette, or writing to the ſubſcriber in *Albemarle* county, he will attend the gentlemen in perſon.—

*** If not employed in the above eſtate, I would willingly undertake any other gentleman's buſineſs.

1‖ JAMES GARLAND, jun.

WILLIAMSBURG, *October* 31, 1776.

THE ſoldiers of the different regiments raiſed in this ſtate, who have been indulged with furloughs for the recovery of their health, are ordered to repair to this place without loſs of time. Thoſe who abuſe the indulgence given them, by not returning as ſoon as able to do duty, may expect to be treated as deſerters.

ANDREW LEWIS, brig. gen.

On *Thurſday* the 5th of *December* next will be ſold to the higheſt bidder, at the plantation of *Henry Harriſon*, deceaſed, in *Suſſex* county,

A LARGE *quantity of corn and fodder, hogs, cattle, and plantation utenſils. About* 20 *negroes then will be hired, among whom is a pair of ſawyers; and the plantation, with ſundry tenants, will be rented for a term of years. Bond, with undoubted ſecurity, will be required for all ſums above* 50s. *The time of credit will be agreed on at the day of ſale. All perſons having demands againſt the ſaid eſtate are deſired to attend, that their claims may be adjuſted.*

NATHANIEL HARRISON, adm.

COMMITTED to the publick jail in *Williamſburg*, a runaway negro man named *CHARLES*, who ſays he belongs to *Henry Lyne* of *Halifax* county, *North Carolina*, whoſe overſeer is named *John Jeter*. He appears to be between 20 and 30 years old, is 5 feet 6 or 7 inches high, and has a thin viſage. It is needleſs to deſcribe his dreſs, as he has changed it ſince his elopement. His maſter is deſired to apply for him, pay charges, and take him away.

(1f) PETER PELHAM.

STRAYED away from *Cumberland* town, in *New Kent* county, about the latter end of *July*, 17 head of ſheep, marked with a ſwallow fork and underkeel in the left ear, and two ſlits in the right. Whoever gives me intelligence of them, ſo that I may get them again (living near *New Point Comfort*, in *Glouceſter* county) ſhall be handſomely rewarded, and all reaſonable expenſes paid.

2‖ JAMES DAVIS.

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INDIAN FIELDS, CHARLES CITY, *October* 20, 1776.

HAVING *purchased a place agreeable to my wishes, I would willingly sell the following tracts of land*, viz. *About* 500 *acres near the mouth of* Queen's *creek, on* York *river, three miles below* Wiliamsburg. *The situation is very high and beautiful, and the land good for any thing. Besides the advantages of fish and oysters, it affords a most excellent range for stock. Also* 526 *acres in* James City *county, within five miles of the city, whereon is a great quantity of the best kind of fire wood. A farther description of the above places is needless, as any person inclinable to purchase had better view them. For terms apply to me.*

(4) *JOHN TYLER.*

N. B. I will take negroes in part, and will divide the *James City* land so as to make two good places to suit any who may choose to sell wood.

ANY *gentleman who has* Muller's *New System of Mathematicks, sometimes called* Muller's *Elements of Mathematicks, Gunnery*, &c. 24 *copperplates*, 2 *vols. of his Conick Sections, and his Field Engineer, will, if disposed to sell, receive double price for them, or any one of them, at mr.* Purdie's *printing-office; or, if any gentleman who has them is not willing to sell, a military gentleman would be glad to borrow for a few months.*

HAMPTON, *October* 29, 1776.

THE publick is hereby informed, that the subscriber keeps the FERRY as formerly, to *Norfolk*, *Nansemond*, and the *Eastern Shore*, where gentlemen shall have their horses, carriages, &c. conveyed with the greatest care by

JOHN JONES.

ALEXANDRIA, *October* 19, 1776.

I INTEND to leave the colony immediately.

WILLIAM HUNTER, jun.

TEN DOLLARS REWARD.

DESERTED about three weeks ago, from my company of regulars stationed at *York*, *William Dickerson*, a likely young fellow about 5 feet 10 inches high, with light brown hair and fair complexion. He was born in *Gloucester* county, where I suppose he is still lurking; and I have some reason to believe he was persuaded by some Tory that he could not be compelled to continue in the service longer than pleasure. I will give the above reward for the deserter, and the same on full conviction of the Tory. I hereby forwarn all persons from harbouring or employing the said deserter, as they shall answer at their peril.

2‖ CHARLES TOMKIES.

To be RENTED, and entered on at Christmas,

A PLANTATION in *Sussex* county, upon *Nottoway* river, near *Allen's* bridge, belonging to *Benjamin Wyche*, orphan, whereon is a good dwelling-house, and other necessary out-houses for a family. The land is extraordinary free for corn and other grain, and there is ground ready cleared for five or six hands; likewise a good shad fishery. Any person inclined to rent may know the terms by applying to the subscriber, near the premises.

2‖ THOMAS PEETE.

To be SOLD at York *town, on* Monday *the* 11*th of* November, *to the highest bidders, for ready money*,

MANY valuable articles taken at *Gwyn's* island, consisting of ship anchors and cables of sundry sizes, some household furniture, with many other things too tedious to mention.

To be SOLD, on Wednesday *the* 27*th of* November, *for long credit, and may be entered on this fall*,

A TRACT of LAND in the lower end of *Bedford*, known by the name of *Locust Thicket*, containing 5300 acres, well watered by three considerable branches of *Staunton* river, and very convenient to church or mill. There are all necessary buildings, almost new, with cleared land under good fences, sufficient to work 15 hands. The whole will be laid off into lots of 4 or 500 acres. Bond and good security will be required by

‖ EDMUND RUFFIN, jun.

PRINCE GEORGE, *October* 16, 1776.

To be SOLD to the highest bidder, on Thursday *the* 1*st of* December *next, on the premises*,

A TRACT of rich level land in *Culpeper* county, containing 204 acres, whereon are houses, orchards, &c. also the crop of corn, wheat, and tobacco, with household and kitchen furniture, such as beds, chairs, tables, chests, &c. Any person inclining to purchase the land before the day of sale may know the terms of mr. *French Strother*, or the subscriber.

‖ WILLIAM FIELD.

To be RENTED, and entered upon the 20*th of this instant* (October)

THE houses and lots in the town of *Falmouth* lately occupied by mr. *William Smith* as a tavern, for which purpose it is well adapted, but may be appropriated to the use of a private family or merchant. The terms, which will be reasonable, may be known by applying to *William Fitzhugh*, esq; in *Williamsburg*, or to the proprietor in *Falmouth*.

TREASURY OFFICE, *October* 16, 1776.

MR. *John Carter Littlepage* being unable through sickness to complete the treasury notes of one third and one sixth of a dollar, I have appointed mr. *Thomas Davis* to sign the remainder of them in his stead.

RO. C. NICHOLAS, Treasurer.

To be SOLD by the executors of Leonard Ward, *deceased, the last* Friday *in* November,

SUNDRY NEGROES, with the horses, cattle, hogs, wheat, corn, and fodder. Twelve months credit for all sums above 25*l.* upon giving bond and security; and those who fail discharging their bonds punctually are to pay interest from the date. On the same day the plantation will be rented for twelve months. Whoever have any demands against the estate are desired (that day) to make them known to WILLIAM WALKER.

RICHARD EGGLESTON, sen.

STOLEN from the subscriber, living on the north fork of *Roanoke*, in *Botetourt* county, on *Wednesday* the 18th of *September*, a light coloured gray horse about 7 years old, 14 hands high, trots and paces, and is branded thus ⅄D, but I do not remember on which side. Whoever brings said horse to me, or secures him so that I may get him again, shall have 40*s.* reward, and 5*l.* on conviction of the thief. The person who stole the horse calls himself *William Jones*, says he was born in the west of *England*, and that he had followed the sea. He is about 5 feet 8 or 10 inches high, was much troubled with the fever and ague, and looks sickly; had on a copperas coloured cotton coat, coarse linen jacket and trousers, bad shoes, and speaks in the west country dialect. It is believed he was a deserter from some of the regiments belonging to *Virginia*.

‖ FREDERICK SMITH.

I HAVE *received instructions from the* CONGRESS *to contract for supplying the continental troops with provisions for the ensuing year; the* 2*d and* 7*th regiments to commence the first day of* December *next, and the troops that are about to be raised as soon as they are collected. Those who are desirous to engage in this business are requested to meet me in the city of* Williamsburg *on* Friday *the* 21*st instant, with their proposals.*

WILLIAM AYLETT, D. C. G.

DESERTED from the sloop *Susannah*, at *Leeds* town, two soldiers of the 6th *Virginia* battalion, belonging to capt. *Hutchings's* company, viz. *WILLIAM FREEMAN*, 5 feet 9 or 10 inches high, of a pale complexion, and has long yellow hair, which he wore tied behind; had on when he went away a snuff coloured coat and waistcoat, and has a silver button and loop to his hat. *WILLIAM JONES*, 5 feet 8 or 9 inches high, of a brown complexion, and has black hair, which curls a little; had on a dark coloured hunting shirt, striped *Virginia* cloth coat and waistcoat under it, and *Russia* drab breeches. Whoever delivers the said deserters to the commanding officer at *Williamsburg* shall have 5*l.* reward for each.

‖ HARDEN PERKINS, ensign.

RUN away from the subscriber in *Baltimore* town, *Maryland*, an indented servant man named *Stephen Coffey*, who says he was born in *England*, and pretends to be a ship carpenter and caulker. He is 5 feet 6 or 7 inches high, about 40 years old, well set, has straight brown hair, full mouth, snagged teeth, is apt to stutter, fond of drink, and appears to be a very quiet fellow, but is as great a rogue as ever trod the earth. He ran away about two years ago, has been carpenter on board captains *Lilly* and *Doane*, and has made his escape from on board the boat *Molly* at *New Point Comfort*, on his way home. Whoever apprehends the said servant, and secures him so that his master may get him again, shall have 5*l.* reward.

2‖ MICAJAH JAMES.

STRAYED or STOLEN from col. *Snelson's*, in *Hanover*, the 6th of this instant (*October*) a sorrel horse upwards of 5 feet high, with a small star in his forehead, hanging mane and short switch tail, is remarkably out toed, and branded on the near buttock G S. Whoever delivers him to me, in *Hanover* town, shall have 40*s.* reward.

(2) OWEN DABNEY.

STRAYED or STOLEN out of a pasture near the *College*, the 13th of this instant (*October*) a dark brown horse 8 years old, about 15 hands high, has a very thick neck, a thick hanging mane and short dock, paces in the saddle, but trots in a carriage, has been drawn in a waggon for some time past, remarkable for his strength and fatness, but has neither brand nor any white spot about him perceivable. Whoever brings the said horse to me, in *Williamsburg*, shall have 20*s.* reward; and if stolen, on conviction of the thief, 5*l.*

2‖ JOHN MOODY.

STOLEN out of mr. *Lomax's* pasture in *Caroline* county, near *Port Royal*, the 10th day of *September* last, a light bay mare 3 years old, about 14 hands high, her mane, tail, and legs, very dark, very light under her belly, has a long dock, but is not branded. Whoever brings the said mare to me, near *Port Royal*, shall have 5*l.* reward.

ABRAHAM WILSON, jun

TAKEN up in *Northampton*, a large black and white pied barrow, with a bob tail, the fore part and rump black, white sides, except a black spot on the left side of the back, marked with a crop and under bit in the right ear, and a swallow fork in the left; he is about two feet and a half high, and about two years and a half old. Posted, and appraised to 30s.

Griffin Stith, sen.

TAKEN up at the plantation of *Richard Ivey*, deceased, a middle sized brindle pied steer, with sawed horns, and branded on each of them G T; he is marked with a crop, two slits, and underkeel, in the right ear, and with an underkeel, overkeel, and a half crop, in the left. Posted, and appraised to £3.

Henry Gaines.

TAKEN up near *Turner's* warehouses, *King & Queen*, a bay horse about 7 years old, 4 feet 8 inches high, has a long mane and tail, is galled on the shoulders, and branded on the near buttock M S. Posted, and appraised to 12l.

Francis Gaines.

TAKEN up in *Carr's* creek, in *Mecklenburg*, a dark brindled cow with a white face, some white on her left shoulder, some under her belly, and on her tail, marked with an underkeel in the right ear, and a crop in the left; also a bull yearling of a black colour, with a motley face, and mate to the cow. Posted and appraised, the cow to 5os. the yearling to 20s.

John Eaton.

TAKEN up in *James City*, a bay horse 9 or 10 years old, about 14 hands high, shod before, but has no brand. The owner may have him, paying charges of

Thomas Cartwright.

TAKEN up in *Culpeper*, on the *Little Fork*, two yearlings; one a dark brown heifer, marked with a crop in the left ear, the other a pale red and white steer, of the same mark. Posted, and appraised to 40s.

Samuel Duncan.

TAKEN up in *Henrico*, near *Richmond*, a dun coloured bay mare about 10 years old, 4 feet 7 inches high, with a star in her forehead, a roached mane and short tail, and branded on the near buttock A. S. Posted, and appraised to 10l.

Charles Price.

TAKEN up in *Culpeper*, two work steers; one a red brindle, much scarred on the back, the ends of his horns sawed off, has a bob tail, marked with a crop and slit in the right ear, and an underkeel and hole in the left; the other black, much scarred on the back likewise, has sawed horns, the tip of the right horn but half sawed off, bob tailed, marked with a hole and underkeel in the right ear, and a crop and slit in the left. Posted, and appraised to 8l.

James Rousseau.

TAKEN up on *Green Brier*, in *Augusta*, a dark brindled steer 4 years old, with some white in his face, and has a short tail. Posted, and appraised to 3l. 5s.

Lawrence Dremmen.

TAKEN up in *Stafford*, a light brindled bull 7 years old, marked with two crops and three slits, and has been here two years last *May*. Posted, and appraised to 55s.

William Mullens.

TAKEN up on the *Little Fork* in *Culpeper*, a bay mare about 7 years old, about 4 feet high, with hanging mane and switch tail, several saddle spots on each side of her back, branded on the off shoulder I, and on the off buttock, not very plain, resembling the latter part of an M. Posted, and appraised to 6l.

Henry Coones.

TAKEN up in *Charlotte*, a sorrel horse about 10 years old, 4 feet 8 inches high, with a blaze face, one hind foot white, branded on the near buttock IC, and on the off buttock IL in a piece. Posted, and appraised to 7l.

Henry Hines.

TAKEN up in *Henrico*, near the *Brook*, a small brindled and white steer about 2 years old, with a piece of her tail cut off, and is unmarked. Posted, and appraised to 20s.

Thomas Owen.

TAKEN up in *Culpeper*, a black mare 4 feet 5 inches high, about 7 years old, with a star in her forehead, some saddle spots on the near side, a small hitch streak on each side, supposed to be cut with a rope, branded on the near shoulder with a blotched P, and on the near buttock B. Posted, and appraised to 10l.

Francis Kirtley.

TAKEN up in Chesterfield, *about 4 miles from* Manchester, *a dark bay mare about 4 feet 7 inches high, about* 10 *years old, has a star in her forehead, some white hairs on her nose, several saddle spots, hanging mane and switch tail, branded on the near shoulder* LA *in a piece, and on the near buttock* L *Posted, and appraised to* 12l. 10s.

Philip Richards.

TAKEN up in *Amherst*, a sorrel horse about 4 feet 5 inches high, about 12 years old, has a blaze face, a hanging mane and switch tail, a saddle spot on each side of his back, is a little creft-fallen, and branded on the left buttock W. Posted, and appraised to 8l. 15s. 6d.

David Barrett.

TAKEN up in *Amelia*, a bay mare about 6 years old, 4 feet 4 inches high, has some saddle spots, trots and gallops, branded X, and had a bell on. Posted, and appraised to 10l.

Edward Booker.

TAKEN up in *Bedford*, a light flea-bitten gray mare, 4 feet 5 inches high, branded on the near buttock A, and had on a bell. Posted, and appraised to 7l.

Thomas Overstreet.

TAKEN up in *Bedford*, near *Lynch's* ferry, a brindled cow 3 years old, with a white face, three white feet, and part of her tail white. Posted, and appraised to 50s.

John Rucker.

TAKEN up in *Bedford*, a sorrel horse with a blaze face, many saddle spots, his near hind foot white, hanging mane and switch tail, branded on the near buttock R G, and had on a bell marked C B. Posted, and appraised to 55s.

Joseph Whitehead.

TAKEN up in *Bedford*, on *Falling* river, a large young sorrel mare, a natural pacer, with a small star in her forehead, is dockt, and branded on the off buttock I D. Posted, and appraised to 20l.

John Jones.

TAKEN up in *Pittsylvania*, on *Sycamore* creek, a dark bay mare 9 or 10 years old, about 4 feet 3 inches and a half high, has a long mane and switch tail, some saddle spots, branded on the near shoulder P, on the near buttock 5, and has a small bell on; also a small sorrel colt about a year old, about 4 feet 1 inch and 3 quarters high, has a blaze in his face, is dockt, but neither cut nor branded. Posted and appraised, the mare and bell to 6l. 2s. 6d. and the colt to 3l.

William Spriggins.

TAKEN up in *Dunmore*, a bay mare about 5 years old, between 13 and 14 hands high, and branded on the off shoulder S; also a two year old colt. Posted and appraised, mare and colt, to 15l.

John Stout.

TAKEN up in *Amherst*, a red pied heifer about 3 years old, unmarked, and has very small horns. Posted, and appraised to 30s.

Henry Trent.

TAKEN up in *Dunmore*, a black mare about 7 years old, about 13 hands a half high, branded on the near shoulder W, and on the near buttock B. Posted, and appraised to 7l.

Augustine Woolf.

TAKEN up in *Charlotte*, a white mare about 4 feet 5 inches high, paces slow, trots, and branded on the near buttock S. Posted, and appraised to 6l. 10s.

John White.

TAKEN up in *Culpeper*, on the *Rapidan* river, three ewes and one wether, two of of the ewes marked with a swallow fork and overkeel in the right ear, a crop and slit in the left, the others unmarked. Posted, and appraised to 28s.

John Lowin.

TAKEN up in *Amherst*, a light bay mare 5 or 6 years old, 4 feet 5 or 6 inches high, has a small saddle spot on the off side of her back, branded on the near shoulder A, and on the near buttock C. Posted, and appraised to 18l.

Joseph Wilsher.

TAKEN up in *Amherst*, a red steer about 2 years old, marked with a swallow fork and underkeel in the right ear, and an underkeel in the left, with a small bit cropped off the end of the ear. Posted, and appraised to 30s.

Lucy Childress.

TAKEN up in *Spotsylvania*, on *Pamunkey* river, near *Davenport's* ford, a black mare about 4 feet 7 inches high, about 8 years old, paces slow, has one hind foot white, and branded on shoulder and buttock S S. Posted, and appraised to 12l.

William Davenport.

TAKEN up in *Orange*, a steer yearling, all white except his head and neck, which is black, has some white in his face, and marked with a crop in each ear; also a red bull about 5 years old, and marked with a crop in each ear. Posted and appraised, the steer to 15s. and the bull to 35s.

James Newman.

TAKEN up in *Chesterfield*, a bright bay mare about 4 feet 8 inches high, about 7 years old, with a roached mane and bob tail, but has no brand perceivable. Posted, and appraised to 15l.

Thomas Goode.

TAKEN up in *Dinwiddie*, a stray horse 7 years old, 4 feet 7 inches high, with hanging mane and switch tail, trots and canters very well, but has no brand perceivable. Posted, and appraised to 6l. 10s.----Also a roan horse 4 feet 4 inches high, very old, his hind feet white above the footlock, has a blaze in his face, hanging mane and switch tail, a remarkable white spot where his right hind foot joins his thigh, a sore back, paces naturally, and branded on the near buttock with a figure of 9.---It not being mentioned, in the advertisement sent to the printer, who are the takers up of these strays, the owners must apply to the clerk of *Dinwiddie* for information.

TAKEN up in *Fauquier*, a pied steer marked with two slits in the right ear, and a swallow fork in the left. Posted, and appraised to 3l.

John Mauzy.

TAKEN up in *Amelia*, in the fork of *Nottoway*, a dark bay colt 4 years old, darker across the shoulder than on his body, has been rode lately, paces, and his nose has been tarred. Posted, and appraised to 10l.

Josiah Wammock.